

## 2.2.14 VISUAL RESOURCES

Descriptions of Visual Resource Management (VRM) classes are provided in Appendix K. Two of these classes apply to the entire planning area.

Class I preserves the existing character of the landscape and provides for natural ecological changes, however, it does not preclude very limited management activity. The level of change to the characteristic landscape should be very low and must not attract attention.

Class II retains the existing character of the landscape allowing for low levels of change to the characteristic landscape. Management activities may be seen, but should not attract the attention of the casual observer. Any changes must repeat the basic elements of form, line, color, and texture found in the predominant natural features of the characteristic landscape.

### Objectives

- To provide a primitive and natural visual setting for visitors.
- To protect the visual integrity of the emigrant trail corridor.

### Visual Resource Management

VRM-1: Actions and activities within the ten Wilderness areas and the LCT Area will be managed to meet the requirements for VRM Class I as shown on Map 2-8.

VRM-2: Actions and activities within the planning area outside of the ten Wilderness areas and the LCT Area will be managed to meet the requirements of VRM Class II as shown on Map 2-8.

The following table provides the number of acres managed for VRM Classes I and II:

Table 2-7 VRM Class Size

Class	Acres
VRM Class I	767,475
VRM Class II	437,565



*The east face of King Lear Peak in the South Jackson Mountains Wilderness*



*Sunset across the Black Rock Desert Wilderness*